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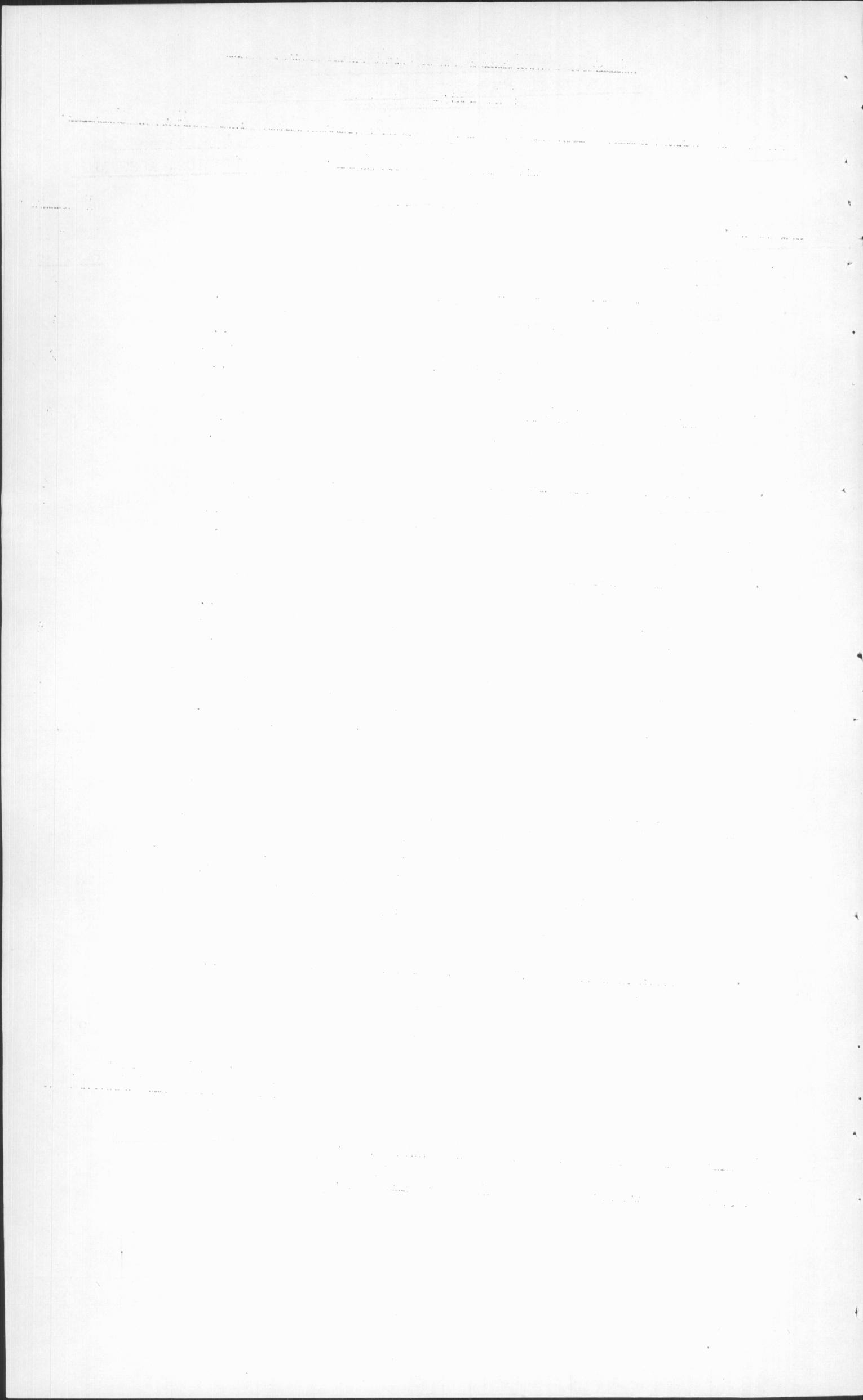
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1.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS, SEPTEMBER, 1950.

1. GENERAL.

This bulletin, issued by the Commonwealth Statistician (Dr. Roland Wilson) covers the operations of Part VII of the Social Services Consolidation Act, 1947-50, for the month of September, 1950. This information has been compiled from data made available by the Department of Social Services.

The number of recipients of benefit does not embrace the total unemployment and sickness in the community. There is a "waiting period" of seven days in respect of which unemployment or sickness benefit is not payable. The application of a "means test" excludes another group from benefit.

Special Benefit is paid in cases of hardship where the claimant is not qualified for either of the other benefits. The number of new Australians receiving special benefit has now been excluded from the tables in this bulletin; the amount of such benefits paid, however, is included in Table I.

The number of "persons on benefit" relates to principal beneficiaries who would normally be breadwinners. Dependents of such beneficiaries are excluded.

Admittances and exits in Sections 3, 5 (pars. ii, iii, and iv) and 6 refer to those notified during the period shown and not to those which actually occurred during the period.

Due to delay in the receipt of information in respect of some beneficiaries the figures are subject to revision. This applies particularly to exits, and results in persons on benefit at the end of the later months being overstated.

2. ALL BENEFITS - SUMMARY.

(i) Benefits Paid: Benefits paid in respect of each class of benefit in each State in September, 1950 and the three months ended September, 1950, are shown in the following table.

I. AMOUNT OF BENEFITS PAID DURING SEPTEMBER, 1950 AND THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950 - STATES.
(£.)

State	September, 1950				Three Months ended September, 1950.			
	Unem- ployment	Sickness	Special (a)	Total	Unem- ployment	Sickness	Special (a)	Total
N.S.W. (b)	2,530	28,287	5,144	35,961	6,796	79,296	15,997	102,089
Victoria	451	20,346	7,104	27,901	1,579	55,536	32,631	89,746
Queensland	1,152	7,030	737	8,919	4,186	24,425	2,348	30,959
S. Aust. (c)	cr 20	5,905	405	6,290	195	18,241	1,259	19,695
W. Aust.	470	3,943	7,324	11,737	1,840	14,044	23,541	39,425
Tasmania	130	2,537	349	3,016	471	7,981	970	9,422
<u>TOTAL :</u>	<u>4,713</u>	<u>68,048</u>	<u>21,063</u>	<u>93,824</u>	<u>15,067</u>	<u>199,523</u>	<u>76,746</u>	<u>291,336</u>

(a) Includes amounts paid to new Australians. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

(ii) Claims Admitted and Benefits Discontinued: The following table shows, for each State, the number of persons admitted to each class of benefit and the number whose benefits were discontinued during the three months ended September, 1950.

II. CLAIMS ADMITTED AND BENEFITS DISCONTINUED DURING THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950 - STATES.

State	Claims Admitted - Three months ended September, 1950				Benefits Discontinued - Three months ended September, 1950			
	Unem- ployment	Sickness	Special	Total	Unem- ployment	Sickness	Special	Total
N.S.W. (a)	1,730	7,075	353	9,158	1,700	6,730	304	8,734
Victoria	139	4,142	270	4,551	129	2,878	169	3,176
Queensland	751	2,359	102	3,212	943	2,427	112	3,482
S. Aust. (b)	10	1,688	73	1,771	14	1,767	65	1,846
W. Aust.	248	1,437	36	1,721	221	1,365	59	1,645
Tasmania	41	707	36	784	39	747	28	814
<u>TOTAL :</u>	<u>2,919</u>	<u>17,408</u>	<u>870</u>	<u>21,197</u>	<u>3,046</u>	<u>15,914</u>	<u>737</u>	<u>19,697</u>

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.
(b) Includes Northern Territory.

(iii) Claims Admitted, Discontinuances and Persons on Benefit: The following table shows, for the years 1946-47 to 1949-50 and for the months September, 1949 to September, 1950 the number of claims admitted and discontinued and persons remaining on benefit: -

III. CLAIMS ADMITTED, DISCONTINUANCES AND PERSONS ON BENEFIT - AUSTRALIA.

Period	Unemployment		Sickness		Special		Total			
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Persons	
<u>CLAIMS ADMITTED</u>										
Year	1946-47	73,379	5,199	45,024	11,002	1,271	335	119,674	16,536	136,210
	1947-48	27,275	1,387	53,947	15,539	1,527	650	82,749	17,576	100,325
	1948-49	11,459	667	53,662	15,202	1,631	785	66,752	16,654	83,406
	1949-50	130,248	30,853	49,006	14,836	3,529	1,131	182,783	46,820	229,603
1949	Sept.	651	92	4,185	1,287	159	73	4,995	1,452	6,447
	Oct.	525	105	5,189	1,726	198	85	5,912	1,916	7,828
	Nov.	420	64	3,832	1,214	121	82	4,373	1,360	5,733
	Dec.	611	75	3,328	974	114	47	4,053	1,096	5,149
1950	Jan.	1,556	67	4,369	1,278	189	83	6,114	1,428	7,542
	Feb.	1,006	67	3,808	1,156	142	79	4,956	1,302	6,258
	March	877	81	3,850	1,204	140	80	4,867	1,365	6,232
	April	776	103	4,361	1,287	145	78	5,282	1,468	6,750
	May	467	93	3,609	1,079	134	54	4,210	1,226	5,436
	June	407	96	3,078	898	130	29	3,615	1,023	4,638
	July(a)	1,448	256	6,243	1,917	288	156	7,979	2,329	10,308
	Aug.(a)	658	87	3,693	1,086	178	73	4,529	1,246	5,775
	Sept.(a)	379	91	3,487	982	141	34	4,007	1,107	5,114
<u>DISCONTINUANCES</u>										
Year	1946-47	73,974	5,269	43,388	10,075	1,136	210	118,498	15,554	134,052
	1947-48	31,538	1,494	53,785	15,244	1,503	497	86,826	17,235	104,061
	1948-49	12,143	670	51,933	14,871	1,531	614	65,607	16,155	81,762
	1949-50	130,284	30,742	48,419	14,482	3,422	1,013	182,125	46,237	228,362
1949	Sept.	3,918	629	3,946	1,120	216	69	8,080	1,818	9,898
	Oct.	835	160	4,885	1,473	192	52	5,912	1,685	7,597
	Nov.	448	75	3,754	1,220	134	51	4,336	1,346	5,682
	Dec.	352	72	3,287	990	127	56	3,766	1,118	4,884
1950	Jan.	1,221	100	4,410	1,335	149	95	5,780	1,530	7,310
	Feb.	809	55	3,708	1,050	138	62	4,655	1,167	5,822
	March	799	61	4,060	1,284	153	84	5,012	1,429	6,441
	April	992	96	4,381	1,294	153	75	5,526	1,465	6,991
	May	1,076	97	3,425	1,035	127	57	4,628	1,189	5,817
	June	494	72	3,117	966	129	49	3,740	1,087	4,827
	July(a)	1,387	206	5,341	1,692	229	97	6,957	1,995	8,952
	Aug.(a)	745	135	3,413	1,026	144	61	4,302	1,222	5,524
	Sept.(a)	476	97	3,491	951	148	58	4,115	1,106	5,221
<u>PERSONS ON BENEFIT AT END OF EACH MONTH</u>										
1947-June		5,981	227	7,264	2,219	191	265	13,436	2,711	16,147
1948-June		1,718	120	7,426	2,514	215	418	9,359	3,052	12,411
1949-June		1,034	117	9,155	2,845	315	589	10,504	3,551	14,055
1949-Sept.		1,379	265	9,345	3,030	411	671	11,135	3,966	15,101
Oct.		1,069	210	9,649	3,283	417	704	11,135	4,197	15,332
Nov.		1,041	199	9,727	3,277	404	735	11,172	4,211	15,383
Dec.		1,300	202	9,768	3,261	391	726	11,459	4,189	15,648
1950-Jan.		1,635	169	9,727	3,204	431	714	11,793	4,087	15,880
Feb.		1,832	181	9,827	3,310	435	731	12,094	4,222	16,316
March		1,910	201	9,617	3,230	422	727	11,949	4,158	16,107
April		1,694	208	9,597	3,223	414	730	11,705	4,161	15,866
May		1,085	204	9,781	3,267	421	727	11,287	4,198	15,485
June		998	228	9,742	3,199	422	707	11,162	4,134	15,296
July(a)		1,059	278	10,644	3,424	481	766	12,184	4,468	16,652
Aug.(a)		972	230	10,924	3,484	515	778	12,411	4,492	16,903
Sept.(a)		875	224	10,920	3,515	508	754	12,303	4,493	16,796

(a) Subject to revision.

(i) Duration: The number of weeks during which benefit was paid for each of the cases of benefit whose discontinuance was notified during September, 1950, and the three months ended September, 1950, is shown in the following table: -

IV. DURATION OF BENEFITS DISCONTINUED DURING SEPTEMBER, 1950 AND THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950 - AUSTRALIA.

Duration of Benefits	Persons							
	September, 1950				Three months ended September, 1950			
	Unemployment	Sickness	Special	Total	Unemployment	Sickness	Special	Total
<u>Weeks</u>								
Less than 1	175	334	9	518	752	921	31	1,704
1 and under 2	138	735	27	900	793	2,044	72	2,909
2 " " 3	94	702	23	819	412	2,017	64	2,493
3 " " 4	74	629	31	734	218	1,817	65	2,100
4 " " 5	48	476	25	549	167	1,371	62	1,600
5 " " 9	96	1,201	58	1,355	357	3,409	173	3,939
9 " " 13	36	639	34	709	114	1,775	77	1,966
13 " " 27	41	548	33	622	177	1,751	111	2,039
27 and over	22	263	26	311	56	809	82	947
TOTAL:	724	5,527	266	6,517	3,046	15,914	737	19,697

The following table shows for discontinuances notified during September, 1950 and the three months ended September, 1950 the percentage distribution according to specified durations of benefit: -

V. BENEFITS DISCONTINUED DURING SEPTEMBER, 1950 AND THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950, PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION ACCORDING TO DURATION : AUSTRALIA.
(Per Cent)

Duration of Benefits	September, 1950				Three months ended September, 1950.			
	Unemployment	Sickness	Special	Total	Unemployment	Sickness	Special	Total
<u>Weeks</u>								
27 and over	3.04	4.76	9.77	4.77	1.84	5.08	11.13	4.81
13 " "	8.70	14.67	22.18	14.32	7.65	16.09	26.19	15.16
9 " "	13.67	26.23	34.96	25.20	11.39	27.24	36.64	25.14
5 " "	26.93	47.96	56.77	45.99	23.11	48.66	60.11	45.14
4 " "	33.56	56.58	66.17	54.41	28.59	57.28	68.52	53.26
3 " "	43.78	67.96	77.82	65.67	35.75	68.69	77.34	63.92
2 " "	56.77	80.66	86.47	78.24	49.28	81.37	86.02	76.58
1 " "	75.83	93.96	96.62	92.05	75.31	94.21	95.79	91.35
Less than 1	24.17	6.04	3.38	7.95	24.69	5.79	4.21	8.65

(ii) Reasons for Cessation: The reasons for terminating benefits whose discontinuance was notified during September, 1950, and the three months ended September, 1950 are shown below: -

VI. REASONS FOR CESSATION - BENEFITS DISCONTINUED DURING SEPTEMBER, 1950 AND THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950 : AUSTRALIA.

Reason for Cessation	September, 1950				Three Months ended Sept. 1950			
	Unemployment	Sickness	Unemployment	Sickness	Persons	%	Persons	%
Employment secured or resumed	466	64.36	3,466	62.71	2,110	69.27	9,932	62.41
Incapacity terminated	15	2.07	1,572	28.44	58	1.90	4,655	29.25
Failure to report (a)	174	24.03	42	0.76	691	22.69	105	0.66
Transfer to another benefit covered by the Act	18	2.49	25	0.45	79	2.59	84	0.53
Statutory Age Limit (b)	1	0.14	19	0.34	3	0.10	31	0.20
Permanent incapacity (c)	7	0.97	147	2.66	17	0.56	471	2.96
Death	1	0.14	92	1.67	1	0.03	242	1.52
Transfer to another district	12	1.66	53	0.96	30	0.99	145	0.91
Other	30	4.14	111	2.01	57	1.87	249	1.56
TOTAL :	724	100.00	5,527	100.00	3,046	100.00	15,914	100.00

(a) In most of these cases the beneficiary has resumed employment without advising the Department of Social Services. (b) Includes transfer to Age Pension.

(c) Includes transfer to Invalid Pension.

4. PERSONS ON BENEFIT AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1950.

(i) Proportion per 10,000 in employment: The Proportion of persons on benefit at 30th September, 1950 to the estimated number of employees in employment was approximately 61 per 10,000 comprising 4 unemployment, 52 sickness and 5 special cases per 10,000.

The following table shows the proportion for males and females: -

VII. APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BENEFIT AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1950,
PER 10,000 WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT : AUSTRALIA.

Sex	Proportion	Number on benefit per 10,000 in employment			
		Unemployment	Sickness	Special	Total
Males	Per 10,000 males	4	54	3	61
Females	Per 10,000 females	3	47	10	60
Persons	Per 10,000 persons	4	52	5	61

(ii) State Totals: The following table shows the number of persons in each State in receipt of benefit at 30th September, 1950.

VIII. NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BENEFIT AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1950 : STATES.

State	Unemployment		Sickness		Special		Total		
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Persons
N.S.W. (a)	290	75	4,062	1,312	193	231	4,545	1,618	6,163
Victoria	122	39	3,680	1,329	177	266	3,979	1,634	5,613
Queensland	302	74	1,283	364	61	110	1,646	548	2,194
S. Aust. (b)	23	5	790	249	35	39	848	293	1,141
W. Australia	109	26	758	193	22	43	889	262	1,151
Tasmania	29	5	347	68	20	65	396	138	534
Total 30th September, 1950	875	224	10,920	3,515	508	754	12,303	4,493	16,796

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

(iii) Ages: Distribution of persons on benefit at 30th September, 1950 according to age groups is shown in the following table: -

IX. AGE OF PERSONS ON BENEFIT AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1950 : AUSTRALIA.

Age Group (as at 31st Dec., 1950)	Unemployment		Sickness		Special		Total		
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Persons
16 - 19 Years	36	46	700	732	6	38	742	816	1,558
20 - 24 "	95	51	1,191	721	2	37	1,288	809	2,097
25 - 29 "	114	23	1,095	440	9	59	1,218	522	1,740
30 - 34 "	99	22	947	279	8	55	1,054	356	1,410
35 - 39 "	90	23	973	254	12	83	1,075	360	1,435
40 - 44 "	78	18	1,000	248	3	94	1,081	360	1,441
45 - 49 "	81	13	1,080	308	8	144	1,169	465	1,634
50 - 54 "	80	12	1,189	303	9	98	1,278	413	1,691
55 - 59 "	93	14	1,258	198	10	86	1,361	298	1,659
60 years and over	109	2	1,487	32	441	60	2,037	94	2,131
TOTAL :	875	224	10,920	3,515	508	754	12,303	4,493	16,796

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5. UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.

(i) Claims Admitted, Discontinuances and Persons on Benefit: The following table shows, for the years 1946-47 to 1949-50 and for the months September, 1949 to September, 1950, the number of claims admitted and discontinued and persons remaining on benefit in each State.

X. UNEMPLOYMENT : CLAIMS ADMITTED, DISCONTINUANCES AND PERSONS ON BENEFIT - STATES.

Period	Persons						Australia			
	N.S.W.(a)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Males	Females	Persons	
CLAIMS ADMITTED										
Year	1946-47	12,704	16,187	35,922	1,380	11,981	404	73,379	5,199	78,578
	1947-48	3,516	1,029	21,227	234	2,471	185	27,275	1,387	28,662
	1948-49	2,257	288	8,455	124	884	118	11,459	667	12,126
	1949-50	127,500	1,037	19,841	6,512	6,060	151	130,248	30,853	161,101
1949	-Sept.	324	74	237	20	70	18	651	92	743
	Oct.	167	55	298	19	79	12	525	105	630
	Nov.	121	31	274	8	42	8	420	64	484
	Dec.	172	36	420	12	42	4	611	75	686
1950	-Jan.	200	121	1,156	59	76	11	1,556	67	1,623
	Feb.	111	23	870	8	50	11	1,006	67	1,073
	March	102	24	782	4	42	4	877	81	958
	April	146	90	573	6	60	4	776	103	879
	May	119	40	280	1	111	9	467	93	560
	June	130	113	172	8	65	15	407	96	503
	July(c)	1,118	95	350	2	124	15	1,448	256	1,704
	Aug.(c)	318	29	307	3	77	11	658	87	745
	Sept.(c)	294	15	94	5	47	15	379	91	470

DISCONTINUANCES

Year	1946-47	12,602	16,099	36,002	1,601	12,496	443	73,974	5,269	79,243
	1947-48	4,577	1,630	23,285	319	3,020	201	31,538	1,494	33,032
	1948-49	2,313	303	8,980	114	989	114	12,143	670	12,813
	1949-50	127,448	937	19,921	6,510	6,059	151	130,284	30,742	161,026
1949	-Sept.	3,405	123	575	313	113	18	3,918	629	4,547
	Oct.	453	82	330	18	97	15	835	160	995
	Nov.	157	44	247	8	53	14	448	75	523
	Dec.	147	30	188	9	44	6	352	72	424
1950	-Jan.	224	111	755	65	152	14	1,221	100	1,321
	Feb.	137	12	654	9	46	6	809	55	864
	March	168	31	574	11	68	8	799	61	860
	April	156	51	820	7	49	5	992	96	1,088
	May	137	59	867	3	101	6	1,076	97	1,173
	June	82	87	337	3	48	9	494	72	566
	July(c)	928	70	444	8	127	16	1,387	206	1,593
	Aug.(c)	425	40	344	3	57	11	745	135	880
	Sept.(c)	347	19	155	3	37	12	476	97	573

PERSONS ON BENEFIT AT END OF EACH MONTH

1947	-June	1,400	667	3,231	105	761	44	5,981	227	6,208
1948	-June	339	66	1,173	20	212	28	1,718	120	1,838
1949	-June	283	51	648	30	107	32	1,034	117	1,151
1949	-Sept.	728	125	515	40	199	37	1,379	265	1,644
	Oct.	442	98	483	41	181	34	1,069	210	1,279
	Nov.	406	85	510	41	170	28	1,041	199	1,240
	Dec.	431	91	742	44	168	26	1,300	202	1,502
1950	-Jan.	407	101	1,143	38	92	23	1,635	169	1,804
	Feb.	381	112	1,359	37	96	28	1,832	181	2,013
	March	315	105	1,567	30	70	24	1,910	201	2,111
	April	305	144	1,320	29	81	23	1,694	208	1,902
	May	287	125	733	27	91	26	1,085	204	1,289
	June	335	151	568	32	108	32	998	228	1,226
	July(c)	525	176	474	26	105	31	1,059	278	1,337
	Aug.(c)	418	165	437	26	125	31	972	230	1,202
	Sept.(c)	365	161	376	28	135	34	875	224	1,099

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

(c) Subject to revision.

6. (ii) Cause of Unemployment: The following table analyses the reason for termination of employment, as stated by persons whose admission to benefit was notified during September, 1950, and the three months ended September, 1950, and by those who were on benefit at 30th September, 1950.

Discharges and lay-offs are separations on the initiative of the employer the broad distinction being that a discharge is final and there is no likelihood of the person being re-engaged, at least in the near future. A lay-off is a separation of a temporary nature with the idea that the job will be available again for the employee as soon as circumstances permit. Quits are separations which are made by initiative of the employee.

XI. CAUSE OF UNEMPLOYMENT : CLAIMS ADMITTED, ETC., DURING SEPTEMBER, 1950, AND THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950 - AUSTRALIA.

Cause of Unemployment	Admissions during				On Benefit at 30th Sept., 1950	
	September, 1950		Three months ended September, 1950			
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Discharged or laid-off -						
Disciplinary reasons ..	2	1	8	5	6	2
Inefficiency, incl. medical unfitness ..	12	8	46	25	32	15
Retrenchment, reorganisation of staff ..	34	29	247	102	110	41
Power rationing ..	1	2	8	3	50	22
Shortage of materials ..	5	9	69	32	39	3
Strikes and lockouts ..	-	-	1	-	6	-
Weather conditions, floods, etc. ..	40	1	1,122	79	63	3
Seasonal Work ..	6	-	43	1	78	-
Casual Work ..	43	8	217	36	155	18
Other, including inadequately defined ..	32	17	101	41	66	25
Quitted -						
Medical unfitness, work too heavy ..	54	25	190	66	146	60
Other, including inadequately defined(a)	229	14	376	37	101	28
Not previously employed -						
Employers, workers on own account ..	4	-	55	1	11	2
Ex-service personnel not yet returned to work ..	-	-	-	-	1	1
Other ..	-	2	2	6	11	4
TOTAL :	462	116	2,485	434	875	224

(a) Includes new Australians not previously employed in Australia.

(iii) Industrial Classification of -

(a) Claims Admitted and Persons on Benefit: The following statement shows the distribution according to main industrial groups, of persons whose admission to benefit was notified during September, 1950, and the three months ended September, 1950, and of those on benefit at 30th September, 1950.

XII. UNEMPLOYMENT: INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - CLAIMS ADMITTED, ETC. DURING SEPTEMBER, 1950, AND THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950 - AUSTRALIA.

Industry in which last engaged	Admissions during				On Benefit at 30th Sept., 1950	
	September, 1950		Three months ended September, 1950			
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairying ..	37	1	344	1	108	-
Other Primary Production ..	4	-	43	-	9	-
Coal Mining ..	2	-	363	1	21	-
Other Mining and Quarrying ..	5	-	14	-	14	-
Factories and Industrial -						
Foundry, Engineering and Metal-working (including Shipbuilding) ..	12	-	106	2	73	-
Vehicles, including Aircraft ..	3	-	14	-	12	-
Textiles and Articles of Dress ..	5	20	31	111	24	29
Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	16	13	135	39	65	19
Furniture, Woodwork, etc. ..	24	1	207	15	34	2
Other Factories, including Heat, Light and Power ..	16	4	73	8	41	5
Building and Construction ..	56	2	369	4	195	7
Transport and Communication ..	16	1	123	1	51	3
Commerce and Finance -						
Wholesale and Retail Trade ..	28	8	150	49	56	23
Finance and Property ..	4	-	11	4	6	1
Public Administration and Professional ..	9	9	57	31	38	23
Personal and Domestic Service ..	17	52	92	159	78	104
Other (a) ..	208	5	353	9	50	8
TOTAL :	462	116	2,485	434	875	224

(a) Includes new Australians not previously employed in Australia.

(b) Males on Benefit: Distribution by States of Males in receipt of unemployment benefit at 30th September, 1950 in the main industrial groups is shown in the following table: -

XIII. UNEMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - MALES ON BENEFIT AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1950.

STATES

Industry in which last engaged	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairying	34	7	59	-	5	3	108
Other Primary Production	2	4	2	-	-	1	9
Coal Mining	20	-	1	-	-	-	21
Other Mining and Quarrying	4	-	6	-	4	-	14
Factories and Industrial -							
Founding, Engineering and Metalworking (Including Shipbuilding)	44	5	16	3	3	2	73
Vehicles, including Aircraft	3	3	2	1	2	1	12
Textiles and Articles of Dress	6	3	12	-	1	2	24
Food, Drink and Tobacco	7	5	44	-	6	3	65
Furniture, Woodwork, etc.	15	1	11	1	4	2	34
Other Factories, including Heat, Light and Power	10	6	13	3	4	5	41
Building and Construction	46	55	54	6	32	2	195
Transport and Communication	16	10	17	4	1	3	51
Commerce and Finance -							
Wholesale and Retail Trade	16	2	24	2	11	1	56
Finance and Property	1	-	4	-	1	-	6
Public Administration and Professional	11	1	17	1	4	4	38
Personal and Domestic Service	19	11	17	2	29	-	78
Other	36	9	3	-	2	-	50
TOTAL :	290	122	302	23	109	29	875

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

(iv) Distribution of Beneficiaries, Metropolitan and Other: Admissions to unemployment benefit notified during the three months ended September, 1950, and the persons on benefit at 30th September, 1950 are dissected into "Metropolitan" and "Other" Districts (based on the usual place of residence of the beneficiary) in the following table: -

XIV. DISTRIBUTION OF UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFICIARIES BETWEEN METROPOLITAN AND OTHER DISTRICTS (a) : STATES.

State	Claims admitted during the three months ended September, 1950				On Benefit at 30th September, 1950.			
	Metropolitan		Other		Metropolitan		Other	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
New South Wales (b)	71	16	1,436	207	61	14	229	61
Victoria	10	4	93	32	20	8	102	31
Queensland	156	65	473	57	83	44	219	30
South Australia (c)	6	2	1	1	19	4	4	1
Western Australia	106	20	98	24	60	13	49	13
Tasmania	17	3	18	3	18	1	11	4
TOTAL :	366	110	2,119	324	261	84	614	140

(a) Metropolitan comprises the regions administered from Capital Cities.

In N.S.W., Liverpool is included in "Other". In S.A., Port Adelaide, and in W.A., Fremantle and Midland Junction are included in "Metropolitan".

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes Northern Territory.

6. SICKNESS BENEFIT.

(i) Nature of Sickness: The following table shows the principal cause of sickness as stated on medical certificates of persons whose admission was notified during September, 1950, and the three months ended September, 1950, and of those on benefit at 30th September, 1950.

XV. NATURE OF SICKNESS : CLAIMS ADMITTED, ETC., DURING SEPTEMBER, 1950
AND THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950 - AUSTRALIA.

Nature of Sickness	Admissions during				On Benefit	
	September, 1950		Three months ended September, 1950		30th September, 1950.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Infective and Parasitic Diseases	458	147	1,260	380	688	276
Cancer	24	7	72	21	82	22
Other Tumours	42	26	101	75	87	68
Rheumatism, Diseases of Nutrition and Vitamin-Deficiency Diseases	232	79	654	204	650	240
Diseases of -						
Blood and Blood-forming Organs	22	28	52	50	44	39
Nervous System and Sense Organs	426	188	1,106	485	1,051	490
Circulatory System	447	69	1,196	214	1,276	219
Respiratory System	647	152	1,804	402	1,196	313
Digestive System	1,052	253	2,780	708	1,937	467
Genito-Urinary System	196	151	531	402	450	309
Pregnancy, Childbirth, etc.	..	-	165	-	419	449
Skin and Cellular Tissues	162	45	497	129	376	111
Bones and Organs of Movement	104	45	335	118	292	117
Other Diseases (Including Ill-defined conditions)	95	25	242	67	201	78
Injuries and Acute Poisoning -						
Fractures	544	46	1,519	140	1,654	166
Other Injuries, etc.	432	56	1,164	142	824	126
Surgical Amputations	15	2	47	5	54	4
Other (including not stated)	21	9	63	24	58	21
TOTAL :	4,919	1,493	13,423	3,985	10,920	3,515

(ii) Industrial Classification of Persons on Benefit: The distribution according to main industrial groups of persons on sickness benefit at 30th September, 1950, is shown in the following table: -

XVI. SICKNESS : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - PERSONS ON BENEFIT AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1950
AUSTRALIA

Industry in which last engaged		Males	Females	Persons
Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairying	..	672	21	693
Other Primary Production	..	170	-	170
Coal Mining	..	245	1	246
Other Mining and Quarrying	..	144	5	149
Factories and Industrial -				
Founding, Engineering and Metal-working				
(Including Shipbuilding)	..	1,685	159	1,844
Vehicles, including Aircraft	..	538	18	556
Textiles and Articles of Dress	..	449	650	1,099
Food, Drink and Tobacco	..	683	194	877
Furniture, Woodwork, etc.	..	448	30	478
Other Factories, including Heat, Light and Power				
Building and Construction	..	1,120	253	1,373
Transport and Communication	..	1,880	8	1,888
Commerce and Finance -				
Wholesale and Retail Trade	..	976	547	1,523
Finance and Property	..	63	51	114
Public Administration and Professional	..	359	599	958
Personal and Domestic Service	..	489	879	1,368
Other	..	20	11	31
TOTAL :		10,920	3,515	14,435

(iii) Distribution of Beneficiaries, Metropolitan and Other: Sickness Benefit claims whose admission was notified during the three months ended September, 1950, and those current at 30th September, 1950, are dissected into "Metropolitan" and "Other" districts (based on the usual place of residence of the beneficiary), in the following table: -

XVII. DISTRIBUTION OF SICKNESS BENEFICIARIES BETWEEN METROPOLITAN AND OTHER DISTRICTS (a) : STATES.

State	Claims admitted during the three months ended September, 1950				On Benefit at 30th September, 1950.			
	Metropolitan		Other		Metropolitan		Other	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
New South Wales (b)	3,432	1,387	1,896	360	2,541	991	1,521	321
Victoria ..	2,142	859	903	238	2,819	1,126	861	203
Queensland ..	974	272	940	173	675	226	608	138
South Australia(c)	1,150	288	217	33	613	218	177	31
Western Australia	808	234	354	41	515	150	243	43
Tasmania ..	350	55	257	45	115	39	232	29
TOTAL :	8,856	3,095	4,567	890	7,278	2,750	3,642	765

{a) See footnote (a) to Table XIV.

{b) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

{c) Includes Northern Territory.

7. TOTAL APPLICATIONS FOR BENEFIT AND CLAIMS REJECTED.

The total number of applicants for benefit whose claims were notified during the three months ended September, 1950 and of those whose claims were notified as rejected during the same period are shown in the table below: -

XVIII. TOTAL APPLICATIONS FOR BENEFIT AND CLAIMS REJECTED - THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1950 : STATES.

State	Unemployment		Sickness		Special		Total		Percent- age Re- jects to Total
	Total Claims	Rejects	Total Claims	Rejects	Total Claims	Rejects	Total Claims	Rejects	
N.S.W. (a)	2,976	1,246	7,954	879	450	97	11,380	2,222	19.53
Vic.	202	63	4,726	584	342	72	5,270	719	13.64
Q'ld.	1,537	786	2,629	270	154	52	4,320	1,108	25.65
S.A. (b)	23	13	1,868	180	90	17	1,981	210	10.60
W.A.	313	65	1,685	248	49	13	2,047	326	15.93
Tas.	45	4	796	89	39	3	880	96	10.91
TOTAL:	5,096	2,177	19,658	2,250	1,124	254	25,878	4,681	18.09

{a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

{b) Includes Northern Territory.

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